



**GOVERNOR'S ARIZONA READY EDUCATION COUNCIL
MINUTES
General Meeting – June 18, 2013
10:00 A.M.**

Location: 1700 W. Washington
Second Floor Conference Room
Phoenix, AZ

Members Present: Dr. Craig Barrett, Superintendent John Huppenthal, Tim Carter, Dr. Rufus Glasper, Rep. Doris Goodale (ex-officio), Glen Hamer, Eileen Klein, Jake Logan, Diane McCarthy, Jacob Moore, Tom Tyree, and Merl Waschler

Members Absent: Rep. Jeff Dial (ex-officio), Pearl Esau, Brad Holaway, Amanda McAdams, Colleen Niccum, Kathy Player, Onnie Shekerjian, Sandra Watson, Sen. Kimberly Yee (ex-officio), and Dr. Jim Zaharis

Staff Present: Rebecca Gau, and Dale Frost

Call to Order, Welcome & Introductions

Dr. Craig Barrett called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. and introduced the purpose of the meeting, which was to receive an update from the Governor's Office of Education Innovation (GOEI), Council Priority Survey and the Maricopa Community College District Developmental (MCCD) Education Data.

Dr. Barrett called for an approval of the May 9, 2013 Council meeting minutes as presented. Diane McCarthy moved for the approval, Tim Carter seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Update: Governor's Office of Education Innovation

Dr. Barrett introduced Rebecca Gau with GOEI. Ms. Gau offered updates on graduation rate data trends, summer reading program, and the teacher and public opinion surveys. Glen Hamer commented that he was concerned with the downward trend in the public opinion data. Ms. Gau advised that she will forward the full data for Mr. Hamer's review. The Council members discussed some ideas for supporting Common Core in the State such as presentations and the need for business support. Ms. Gau Then introduced Kerry McConnell, with GOEI to review Report Card messaging and college preparation data. Ms. McConnell requested that the Council members add an email footer, which she will provide quarterly, to help with Report Card messaging. Ms. McConnell then moved on to review college preparation data that was received from the state universities which is in the process of being added to the report card.

Update: MCCD Developmental Education Data

Dr. Barrett introduced Dr. Rufus Glasper with Maricopa Community College District (MCCD). Dr. Glasper described the purpose of the presentation which is to offer the Council information on developmental education data from MCCD on Arizona students. Dr. Glasper explained that at MCCD their areas of focus are with math, reading and English usage skills. IN the fall 2011 semester, 14% of students tested into one or more developmental education, math being the largest. Some community colleges have moved into making developmental education classes a non-credit course to help keep costs down. MCCD is working with other community college districts to keep the cost down in other ways for these types of classes. Dr Glasper then introduced Dr. Sherri Lewis to review the developmental placement test scores from MCCD. Dr. Lewis indicated that the largest difference in students testing into developmental course was with how long students were out of high school, math being showing the largest difference. Dr. Lewis then reviewed the Arizona Community College course success rates and course success rates after remediation. Dr. Glasper clarified the course success rate by advising that most of the students who do not complete a college level course after remediation are students who do not return for further college courses in the next semester. Dr. Glasper also advised that there is a concern with adult learners, those that are a year or more out of high school, as those students have they largest struggle with math. Dale Frost asked if there is a sense where the population that tests into the developmental education course is in regards to persistence. Dr. Maria Harper-Marinick with MCCD advised that they have some data on this that could be used to calculate the persistence rate. Dr. Harper-Marinick then advised that for the nation, 10% of students that require more than one developmental education course make it to a higher education institution. Dr. Glasper recommended that the Council update the fourth goal to include the important work of community colleges. Dr. Glasper suggested the language Double the number of students receiving baccalaureate degrees to 36,000 per year by significantly increasing the percent of students who transfer from a community college with an Arizona General Education Curriculum or Associate Degree. Dr. Barrett suggested this be put in the next agenda for the Council and to look into expanding the third goal to include decreasing the number of high school graduates that require remediation.

Update: Council Priority Survey

Dr. Barrett again introduced Ms. Gau who reviewed the Council Priority Survey. Ms. Gau briefly reviewed the results of the survey that was passed out to Council members at the May 9th Council meeting. Ms. Gau then asked the Council members how they would like staff to proceed with covering these topics. Supt. Huppenthal advised that he is concerned with the approved budget for the ADE data system, and asked that the Governor's Office advised their ideas on how the approved budget is to be used for the needed data system and stressed the need for cooperation. Dr. Barrett agreed with the need for continued cooperation and advised the also feels that Common Core implementation, and need of seamless transition from one section of education to another, such as high school graduation to college. Eileen Klein advised that with this possibly being the Governor's last year in office, she would like the Council to take the opportunity to at the Arizona Ready plan and see what has been accomplished, what still needs to be done, and what additional assistance is needed by this Council. Ms. Klein also advised that she finds presentation on how we're doing very meaningful and finds that presentations on programs are not as helpful to her. Merl Waschler advised that he does feel that a cohesive point of view on the IT system would be helpful for him to be able to take that back to his constituency. Supt. Huppenthal advised that he would like to be able to take a closer look at specific school programs that should be working within the system but are not, such as the Alhambra reading program. Jacob Moore advised that he would like to get a sense of

what is working in other states with similar councils. Mr. Moore further advised that he feels there is also a need to utilize everyone at the table not only in how the Council as a whole can help the members but how the members can help the Council as well. Ms. Gau advised that GOEI has been working to find a performance management consultant to assist GOEI in achieving the goals for Arizona Ready. Ms. Gau commented that there is also the possibility for the consultant to assist the Council in this process as well.

Council Comments

Chair Barrett reviewed possible agenda topics for the July 31st meeting;

- Common Core Support
- Graduation Rate Recommendations
- IT Plan

Public Comments

There were no requests from the public to address the Council.

Adjourn

With no further business before the Council, Diane McCarthy motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Merl Waschler and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 11:47 a.m.